Alaska Local and Regional Information Workforce Info

Gulf Coast Region





The Gulf Coast Region is made up of the Kenai Peninsula and Kodiak Island Boroughs and Valdez-Cordova Census Area.

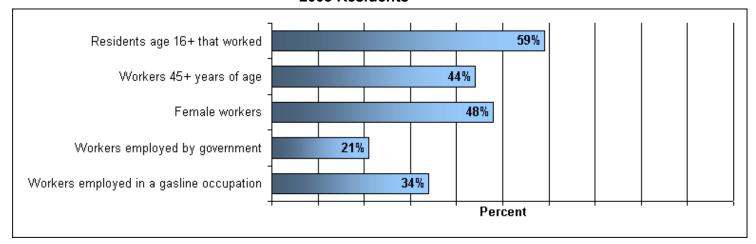
- ◆ The estimated population for 2008 was 75,876, a gain of about 2,077 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 59 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ◆ Trade, Transportation and Utilities was the main industry in 2008, employing 20 percent of the area's workers.
- More workers were employed as Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers than any other occupation.

Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents <u>only</u>. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

	Gulf Coast Reside	nt Snapshot (2008)		
Working Age Residents		Wages		
Residents age 16+	57,163	Total wages \$1,188,		
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector		
Total	33,684	Private	26,714	
Male	17,603	State government	1,919	
Female	16,045	Local government	5,051	
Age 45+	14,807	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers		
Age 50+	10,436	Peak (3rd) quarter workers	29,817	
		Percent working all 4 quarters	66.2%	
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)		
UI Claimants	5,837	Some construction	6,251	
		At least 1 year construction	3,352	
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	1,966	
New hires	12,290	Worked in an AGIA occupation	23,663	

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2008 Residents

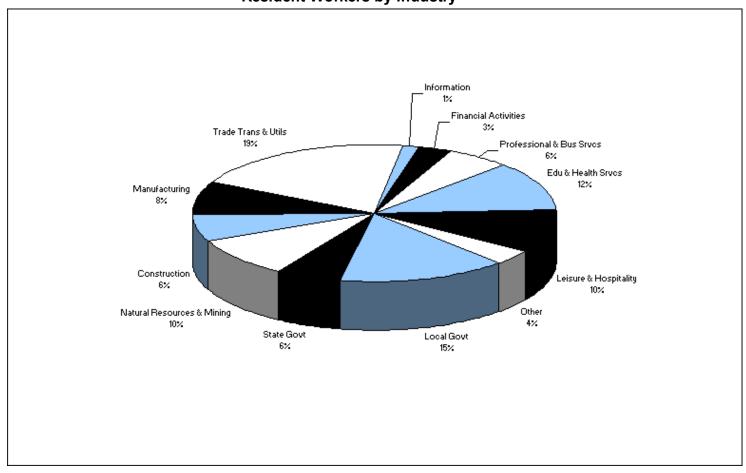


Top Occupations

	Number			
	employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	1,603	39.0%	775	585
Retail Salespersons	1,023	63.9%	375	275
Teachers and Instructors, All Other	900	69.7%	546	406
Office Clerks, General AGIA	798	79.9%	339	238
Cashiers	796	72.6%	290	216
Construction Laborers AGIA HOT JOB	781	14.0%	257	169
Roustabouts, Oil and Gas	580	5.5%	132	85
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators AGIA HOT JOB	565	5.5%	309	209
Home Health Aides	533	78.0%	224	167
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	482	84.0%	153	106
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General AGIA	474	5.1%	271	190
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand AGIA	449	12.8%	134	93
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other AGIA	442	79.9%	162	118
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks AGIA HOT JOB	435	91.7%	226	148
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	429	44.9%	232	168
Registered Nurses HOT JOB	426	91.3%	277	201
Food Preparation Workers AGIA	413	54.7%	82	63
Waiters and Waitresses	408	89.5%	90	46
Carpenters AGIA HOT JOB	403	1.0%	179	119
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	393	70.0%	45	30

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

	Number			
	employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	3,229	8.8%	1,446	969
Construction	2,142	12.7%	883	626
Manufacturing	2,630	33.0%	1,279	918
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	6,723	43.3%	2,716	1,934
Information	461	47.3%	194	130
Financial Activities	993	64.9%	364	242
Professional and Business Services	1,858	40.0%	910	661
Educational and Health Services	3,942	81.9%	1,801	1,280
Leisure and Hospitality	3,488	62.6%	872	595
State Government	1,919	45.7%	1,106	778
Local Government	5,051	61.4%	2,773	1,973
Other	1,201	59.1%	457	327

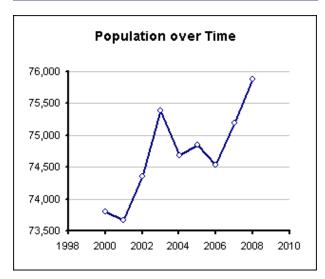
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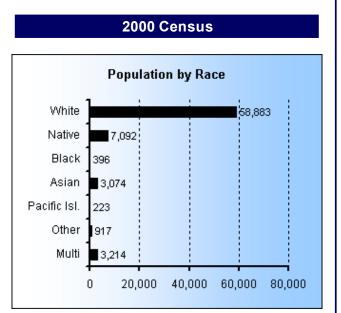
Recent Unemployment Statistics				
	03/2009	04/2009	05/2009	06/2009
UI Claimants**	3,524	3,627	3,168	2,809
Unemployment Rate (Not seasonally adjusted)	11.9%	10.6%	9.4%	9.3%

^{**}UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Kenai Peninsula Borough School
State of AK (excludes U of A)
Safeway Inc
Central Peninsula General Hospital
ASRC Energy Services O&M Inc
Kodiak Is Boro School Dist
Kenai Peninsula Borough
Providence Hospital Payroll
University of AK
Peak Oilfield Svc Co





(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

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